COMMUNITY FINANCIAL CORP /MD/ Form SC 13G October 30, 2017

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No.)*

The Community Financial Corporation (Name of Issuer)

<u>Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share</u> (Title of Class of Securities)

20368X101 (CUSIP Number)

October 27, 2017 (Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b) Rule 13d-1(c) Rule 13d-1(d)

*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required on the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

NAME OF REPORTING **PERSON** I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. 1 OF ABOVE PERSON **Basswood Capital** Management, L.L.C. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* 2 (a) (b) SEC USE ONLY 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF **ORGANIZATION** 4 Delaware **SOLE VOTING POWER** 5 0 **NUMBER** OF **SHARES SHARED VOTING** BENEFICIALLY POWER OWNED BY457,658 **EACH** REPORTING PERSON 7 **SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER** WITH 0

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20368X101

	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER 457,658
9	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 457,658
10	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES
11	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9) 9.84%
12	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON* IA

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CUSIP No. 13GPage <u>3</u> of <u>21</u> Pages 20368X101 NAME OF REPORTING **PERSON** I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. 1 OF ABOVE PERSON Basswood Partners, L.L.C. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* 2 (a) (b) SEC USE ONLY 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF **ORGANIZATION** 4 Delaware **NUMBER** OF **SOLE VOTING SHARES POWER** BENEFICIALLY OWNED 0 BY**EACH** REPORTING SHARED VOTING **POWER** PERSON WITH 138,015 SOLE DISPOSITIVE **POWER**

8

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

138,015

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
EACH REPORTING PERSON

138,015

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES

10 CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

2.97%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

12 00

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NAME OF REPORTING

PERSON

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO.

1 OF ABOVE PERSON

Basswood Enhanced Long

Short GP, LLC

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A

GROUP*

2 (a)

(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

4 ORGANIZATION

Delaware

NUMBER

OF SOLE VOTING

SHARES _z POWER

BENEFICIALLY OWNED 0

BY EACH

REPORTING SHARED VOTING

PERSON POWER

WITH O

133,998

SOLE DISPOSITIVE

, POWER

0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

133,998

AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
EACH REPORTING PERSON

133,998

SHARES

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY 11 AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

2.88%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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CUSIP No. 13GPage <u>5</u> of <u>21</u> Pages 20368X101 NAME OF REPORTING **PERSON** I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. 1 OF ABOVE PERSON Basswood Financial Fund, LP CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* 2 (a) (b) SEC USE ONLY 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF **ORGANIZATION** 4 Delaware **NUMBER** OF **SOLE VOTING SHARES POWER** BENEFICIALLY **OWNED** 0 BY**EACH REPORTING** SHARED VOTING **POWER** PERSON WITH 73,487 SOLE DISPOSITIVE **POWER** 0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

73,487

AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
EACH REPORTING PERSON

73,487

SHARES

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

1.58%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

PN

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10

CUSIP No. 13GPage 6 of 21 Pages 20368X101 NAME OF REPORTING **PERSON** I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. 1 OF ABOVE PERSON Basswood Financial Fund, Inc. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* 2 (a) (b) SEC USE ONLY 3

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Cayman Islands

NUMBER

4

OF SOLE VOTING

SHARES ₅ POWER

BENEFICIALLY OWNED 0

BY EACH

REPORTING SHARED VOTING

PERSON POWER

WITH 6

26,435

SOLE DISPOSITIVE

POWER

0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

26,435

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
EACH REPORTING PERSON

26,435

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES

10 CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

0.57%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

12 CO

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NAME OF REPORTING PERSON

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. 1 OF ABOVE PERSON

Basswood Financial Long Only Fund, LP

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

2 GROUP

(a) (b)

SEC USE ONLY

3

4

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Delaware

NUMBER

OF SOLE VOTING

SHARES 5 POWER BENEFICIALLY

BENEFICIALLY OWNED 0

BY EACH

REPORTING SHARED VOTING

PERSON 6 POWER

WITH

18,988

SOLE DISPOSITIVE

POWER

0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

18,988

AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
EACH REPORTING PERSON

18,988

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN

10 CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY 11 AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

0.41%

PN

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

12

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CUSIP No. 13GPage 8 of 21 Pages 20368X101 NAME OF REPORTING **PERSON** I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. 1 OF ABOVE PERSON Basswood Enhanced Long Short Fund, LP CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* 2 (a) (b) SEC USE ONLY 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF **ORGANIZATION** 4 Delaware **NUMBER** OF **SOLE VOTING SHARES POWER**

BENEFICIALLY OWNED 0

OWNED BY

EACH

REPORTING SHARED VOTING

PERSON 6 POWER

7

WITH o

133,998

SOLE DISPOSITIVE

POWER

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

133,998

AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
EACH REPORTING PERSON

133,998

SHARES

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY 11 AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

2.88%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

PN

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NAME OF REPORTING

PERSON

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO.

1 OF ABOVE PERSON

Basswood Opportunity

Partners, LP

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A

GROUP*

2 (a)

(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

4 ORGANIZATION

Delaware

NUMBER

OF SOLE VOTING

SHARES _z POWER

BENEFICIALLY OWNED 0

BY EACH

REPORTING SHARED VOTING

PERSON POWER

WITH

45,540

SOLE DISPOSITIVE

, POWER

0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

45,540

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
EACH REPORTING PERSON

45,540

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES

10 CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY 11 AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

0.98%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

12 PN

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NAME OF REPORTING

PERSON

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO.

1 OF ABOVE PERSON

Basswood Opportunity Fund,

Inc.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A

gROUP*

(a)

(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

4 ORGANIZATION

Cayman Islands

NUMBER

OF SOLE VOTING POWER

SHARES 5

BENEFICIALLY 0

OWNED

BY

EACH SHARED VOTING

REPORTING POWER

PERSON

WITH 34,563

SOLE DISPOSITIVE

7 POWER

0

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE

POWER

34,563

	AGGREGATE AMOUNT
	BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
9	EACH REPORTING PERSON

34,563

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

0.74%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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NAME OF REPORTING

PERSON

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO.

1 OF ABOVE PERSON

BCM Select Equity I Master,

Ltd.

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A

GROUP*

2 (a)

(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

ORGANIZATION

4

Cayman Islands

NUMBER

OF SOLE VOTING POWER

SHARES 5

BENEFICIALLY 0

OWNED

BY

EACH SHARED VOTING

REPORTING POWER

PERSON

WITH 0

SOLE DISPOSITIVE

POWER

0

SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

0

AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
EACH REPORTING PERSON

0

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

0.00%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

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NAME OF REPORTING

PERSON

I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO.

OF ABOVE PERSON

Matthew Lindenbaum

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A

GROUP*

 $\frac{2}{a}$

(b)

SEC USE ONLY

3

1

CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF

4 ORGANIZATION

United States

NUMBER

OF SOLE VOTING POWER

SHARES 5

BENEFICIALLY 0

OWNED

BY

EACH SHARED VOTING

REPORTING POWER

PERSON

WITH 457,658

SOLE DISPOSITIVE

7 POWER

0

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

457,658

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
EACH REPORTING PERSON

457,658

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES

10 CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS
REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT

11 IN ROW (9)

9.84%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

12 IN

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CUSIP No. 13GPage <u>13</u> of <u>21</u> Pages 20368X101 NAME OF REPORTING **PERSON** I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. 1 OF ABOVE PERSON Bennett Lindenbaum CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP* 2 (a) (b) SEC USE ONLY 3 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF **ORGANIZATION** 4 **United States NUMBER** OF **SOLE VOTING POWER** SHARES 5 BENEFICIALLY 0 **OWNED** BY**EACH SHARED VOTING** REPORTING **POWER PERSON** WITH 457,658 **SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER** 7 0 SHARED DISPOSITIVE

8

POWER

457,658

	AGGREGATE AMOUNT
	BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY
9	EACH REPORTING PERSON

457,658

CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES

PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

9.84%

TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

IN

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Item

1(a) Name of Issuer:

The Community Financial Corporation

Item

Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

3035 Leonardtown Road Waldorf, Maryland 20601

Item

Name of Person Filing:

The information required by Item 2(a) is set forth in Row 1 of the cover page hereto for each Reporting Person and is incorporated herein by reference for each such Reporting Person.

Item

2(b) Address or Principal Business Office:

c/o Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C. 645 Madison Avenue, 10th Floor New York, NY 10022

Item

$\frac{\text{Citizenship}}{2(c)}$:

The information required by Item 2(c) is set forth in Row 4 of the cover page hereto for each Reporting Person and is incorporated herein by reference for each such Reporting Person.

Item

2(d) Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

Item

2(e) <u>CUSIP Number</u>:

20368X101

Item 3 Statement filed pursuant to §§240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b) or (c):

The information required by Item 3 is set forth in Row 12 of the cover page hereto for each Reporting Person and is incorporated herein by reference for each such Reporting Person.

Item 4 Ownership:

The information required by Items 4(a)-(c) is set forth in Rows 5-11 of the cover page hereto for each Reporting Person and is incorporated herein by reference for each such Reporting Person.

Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:

On October 27, 2017, Basswood Partners, L.L.C., Basswood Enhanced Long Short GP, LLC, Basswood Financial Fund, LP, Basswood Financial Fund, Inc., Basswood Financial Long Only Fund, LP, Basswood Enhanced Long Short Fund, LP, Basswood Opportunity Partners, LP, Basswood Opportunity Fund, Inc. and BCM Select Equity I Master, Ltd. ceased to be beneficial owners of more than 5% of the Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share of the Issuer.

Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

Not Applicable

Item Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent

Holding Company:

Not Applicable

Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not Applicable

Notice of Dissolution of Group:

Not Applicable

Certification:

By signing below the signatory certifies that, to the best of his knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of the knowledge and belief of the undersigned, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: October 30, 2017

BASSWOOD CAPITAL MANGEMENT,

L.L.C.

By:/s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

BASSWOOD PARTNERS, L.L.C.

By:/s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

BASSWOOD ENHANCED LONG SHORT GP, LLC

By:/s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

BASSWOOD FINANCIAL FUND, LP

By: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C.

By:/s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

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BASSWOOD FINANCIAL FUND, INC.

By: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C.

By:/s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

BASSWOOD FINANCIAL LONG ONLY

FUND, LP

By: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C.

By:/s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

BASSWOOD ENHANCED LONG SHORT

FUND, LP

By: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C.

By:/s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

BASSWOOD OPPORTUNITY PARTNERS,

LP

By: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C.

By:/s/ Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member

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BASSWOOD OPPORTUNITY FUND, INC. By: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C. By: /s/ Matthew Lindenbaum Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member BCM SELECT EQUITY I MASTER, LTD. By: Basswood Capital Management, L.L.C. By: /s/ Matthew Lindenbaum Name: Matthew Lindenbaum Title: Managing Member /s/ Matthew Lindenbaum Name: Matthew Lindenbaum

Name: Bennett Lindenbaum, an individual

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